The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I do not support the merger of the only two direct satellite televison providers. Why? I live in an area where cable television is not an option. This merger really hit home yesterday when my local Dish Network retailer called me with an option to upgrade my current equipment to that of the merged company. In doing so, I would have to give up my current programming package for one that costs not only more than \$10 dollars a month, but a package that I am not interested in. I have no options.

Sincerely,

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